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**AMENDMENT**

This is in response to the United States Patent and Trademark Office Action dated August 2, 2006, which response is being submitted on or before January 2, 2007, and for which a two-month extension of time fee is due and submitted herewith.

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**Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:**